partment of the Delhi Excise and Customs Collectorate has served a show cause notice to M/s. Swatantra Bharat Mills, a unit of the DCM Group, for evading excise duty to the tune of crores of rupees;

(b) if so, how the Department detected the evasion of excise duty by the said Mills; and

(c) what further action Government propose to take against the Mills?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir. The Collector of Central Excise, Delhi has issued a show cause notice to M/s. Swatantra Bharat Mills, (a unit of DCM Ltd.) for evasion of Central Excise duty to the tune of Rs. 1.29 crores.

(b) During the course of investigation it was observed that this Mill was in fact manufacturing Terry Towels leviable to Central Excise duty at the rate of 12% *advalorem* but clearing the same in the guise of Terry Towelling Fabrics without payment of duty. Investigations also revealed that the Mill did not pay the Central Excise duty on yarn and the fabrics used in the manufacture of Terry Towels which were exported.

(c) The case is now pending adjudication before the Collector of Central Excise, Delhi. After the adjudication of the case appropriate action under Central Excise Law would be taken against the Mill.

Recovery of Loans by the State Bank of Indore with the help of Wrestlers

3448. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that State Bank of Indore has hired wrestlers for the recovery of loans as published in the daily 'Navbharat' (Bhopal edition) of the 25th May, 1988 under the caption "State Bank of Indore Ka Naya Prayog, Karj Vasuli Ke Liye Pahubal Ka Sahara";

(b) If so, how many wrestlers have been hired by the State Bank of Indore for the recovery of loans and how much amount has been paid to them as commission and the details thereof; and

(c) under what banking regulations the wrestlers have been hired for the recovery of loan amounts and whether the officers of the Bank have been found to be unfit to make recovery of the loans?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHR EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) State Bank of Indore has reported that they have engaged one private agency for seizure of vehicles/realisation of overdues in case of borrowers particularly transport operators indulging in financial indiscipline and wilful default in repayment of bank dues as the bank has the right to take possession of the hypothicated vehicles without recourse to the court Under the jurisdiction of their Bhopal Zonal office, only one vehicle was seized by the agency and the same was immediately released on the assurance of the borrowers to repay the overdues of the bank.

Relief Measures for Powerloom Sector

3449. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV:
SHRI NARESH C. PUGLIA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that new textile policy has adversely affected the powerloom and handloom sectors:

(b) whehter it is also a fact that according to the new textile policy,